

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended): An image editing apparatus, comprising:

a recording medium ~~for storing an~~ stores a compressed moving image file and a scenario file, wherein the scenario file is formed by recording a replay order or a replay condition of the moving image file with a predetermined file format;

a scenario evaluating circuit ~~for reading~~ reads the scenario file from the recording medium and evaluates the replay order or the replay condition; ~~and~~

an editor ~~for editing~~ reads the compressed moving image file from the recording medium, decodes the read moving image file, edits the decoded moving image file in response to the scenario evaluated an evaluation by the scenario evaluating circuit and makes a new moving image file; and

a recorder ~~for recording~~ compresses and records the ~~edited new moving~~ image file on the recording medium.

2. (Canceled).

3. (Currently Amended): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, wherein the scenario file comprises at least one of a replaying speed of the moving image file, a number of repetitions

for replaying the moving image file, a replay range of the moving image file, a special effect, and a replay of sound associated with the moving image file.

4. (Currently Amended): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, wherein the scenario file includes identification data indicating if other scenario files are recorded as part of the scenario file; and wherein the scenario evaluating circuit evaluates the replay order of the moving image files by following the corresponding scenario file in a hierarchical manner based on the identification data.

5. (Currently Amended): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, further including: a manual replay circuit for replaying the moving image files recorded in the recording medium according to an external replay operation; and a first scenario editor that records a sequence of manual steps as a replay order or replay condition in the scenario file.

6. (Currently Amended): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, further including: an edit input unit for receiving the editing operation for the plurality of moving image files, and a second scenario making editor for recording a replay order or a replay condition as a scenario file based on the editing operation received from the editing input unit.

7. (Currently Amended): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, further including a corrector for detecting an inconsistency when the plurality of moving image files is replayed

along with the scenario file, and for correcting the inconsistency according to one of a predetermined priority order or an externally input correction instruction.

8. (Currently Amended): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, wherein a replay mechanism replays moving image files taken from the recording medium according to the replay order or the replay condition evaluated by the scenario evaluating circuit.

9. (Currently Amended): The image editing apparatus of claim 1, wherein the recording medium further includes a first recording medium for storing the moving image file and a second recording medium for storing the scenario file.

10. (Currently Amended): An image recording and editing apparatus, comprising:
a camera having an image capturing element for converting an image into digital form;
a recording medium;
a recorder records on the recording medium an plurality of moving image files each, an image file-representing an a moving image acquired by the camera and stored on the recording medium by the recorder;
a scenario file ~~stored on the recording medium~~;
a display; and
a controller ~~for controlling~~ controls the display according to instructions stored in the scenario file and ~~for controlling~~ controls the recording of the images in the image file.

11. (Canceled).

12. (Original): The image recording and editing apparatus of claim 10, further including:
a common data bus; a microprocessor connected to the common data bus; an image memory
connected to the common data bus; a compression/decompression circuit connected to the
common data bus; a display driver connected to the common data bus; and a disk drive
connected to the common data bus.

13-15. (Canceled).

16. (Original): The image recording and editing apparatus of claim 10, further including
a control panel interfacing with the controller.

17. (Original): The image recording and editing apparatus of claim 10, further including
an image compression/decompression circuit for compressing/decompressing the images.

18. (Canceled).

19. (Currently Amended): The moving image recording and editing apparatus of claim
10, wherein the scenario file is formed by recording at least one of a replay order or a replay

condition of the moving image file.

20. (Currently Amended): The moving image recording and editing apparatus of claim 10, wherein the scenario file comprises at least one of a replaying speed of the file, a number of repetitions for replaying the moving image file, a replay range of the moving image file, a special effect, and a replay of sound associated with the moving image file.

21. (Currently Amended): The moving image recording and editing apparatus of claim 10, wherein the scenario file further optionally includes identification data indicating if other scenario files are recorded as part of the scenario file; and wherein the recording and editing apparatus further optionally includes a scenario evaluating circuit for evaluating the replay order of the moving image files by following the corresponding scenario file in a hierarchical manner based on the identification data.

22. (Original): The image recording and editing apparatus of claim 10, further including: a manual replay circuit for replaying the image files recorded in the recording medium according to an external replay operation; and a first scenario making editor that automatically records a sequence of manual steps as a replay order or replay condition in the scenario file.

23. (Original): The image recording and editing apparatus of claim 10, further including: an edit input unit for receiving the editing operation for the plurality of image files, and a second

scenario making editor that records a replay order or a replay condition as a scenario file based on the editing operation input via the edit input unit.

24. (Original): The image recording and editing apparatus of claim 10, wherein the controller resolves inconsistencies in the scenario file according to one of a predetermined priority order or an externally supplied instruction.

25. (Original): The image recording and editing apparatus of claim 10, wherein thumbnail images are displayed on the display to represent image files and scenario files.

26. (Currently Amended): The moving image recording and editing apparatus of claim 10, further including external controls for controlling display of moving images on the display, and wherein the controller further edits the moving image files in response to the external controls.

27. (Canceled).

28. (Currently Amended): The image recording and editing apparatus of claim [27] 10, further including:

a plurality of moving image files;

a plurality of scenario files, wherein each moving image has a corresponding scenario

file, and wherein the plurality of scenario files and the plurality of moving image files are arranged hierarchically.

29. (Currently Amended): A method of capturing and editing moving images, comprising the steps of:

- capturing a first moving image;
- storing the first moving image on a recording medium;
- creating a control instruction;
- storing the control instruction as a scenario file on the recording medium; and
- displaying the first moving image, wherein the first image is modified according to the scenario file.

30. (Currently Amended): The method of claim 29, further including the steps of:

- capturing a plurality of moving images;
- storing the plurality of moving images on the recording medium; and
- creating a plurality of control instructions, wherein each of the plurality of moving image files has a corresponding control instruction.

31. (Currently Amended): The method of claim 30, further including the step of creating a plurality of scenario files, wherein each of the plurality of scenario files corresponds to at least one of the plurality of moving image files.

32. (Original): The method of claim 31, wherein the plurality of scenario files are constructed in a hierarchical manner.

33. (Original): The method of claim 29, wherein the step of creating the control instruction includes the step of creating a scenario file and storing the scenario file on the recording medium.

34. (Original): The method of claim 33, wherein the step of creating the scenario file includes a step of storing a plurality of instructions in the scenario file.

35. (Currently Amended): The method of claim 34, wherein the step of displaying the first moving image includes a step of resolving possible inconsistencies between each one of the plurality of instructions in the scenario file.

36-38. (Canceled).

39. (Currently Amended): The method of claim 29, wherein the step of storing the first moving image on a recording medium stores the image on a disk-shaped recording medium using a disk drive.

40. (Currently Amended): The method of claim 29, wherein the step of capturing the first moving image includes a step of compressing a digital representation of the first moving image.

41. (Original): The method of claim 29, wherein the step of creating the control instruction creates the control instruction in response to an external input.

42. (Canceled).

43. (Currently Amended): The method of claim 29, wherein the step of displaying the first moving image includes the step of decompressing a digital representation of the image stored as an image file on the recording medium.

44. (Original): The method of claim 29, wherein the control instruction includes at least one of a replay, a delay, a special effect, or a replay order.

45. (Original): An image reproducing apparatus, comprising:
a memory for storing an image file including moving image data and a scenario file,
wherein the scenario file includes a reproduction start point and a reproduction end point of the moving image data of the image file; and
a reproducer for reproducing the moving image data in accordance with the reproduction start point and the reproduction end point.

46. (Original): The image reproducing apparatus according to claim 45, wherein the scenario file includes frame number information corresponding to frame numbers of the moving image data.

47. (Original): The image reproducing apparatus according to claim 45, wherein the image file includes time stamp data, and the scenario file includes time information corresponding to the time stamp data.

48. (Previously Presented): An image reproducing apparatus, comprising:
an image file including moving image data, a reproduction start point of the moving image data, and a reproduction end point of the moving image data;
a memory for storing the image file;
a reproducer for reproducing the moving image data in accordance with the reproduction start point and the reproduction end point; and
a scenario file stored in the memory, wherein the scenario file includes at least one of a replaying speed of the image file, a number of repetitions for replaying the image file, a replay range of the image file, a special effect, and a replay of sound associated with the image file.

49. (Canceled).

50. (Previously Presented): An image reproducing apparatus, comprising:

a memory for storing moving image data, a reproduction start point of the moving image data, and a reproduction end point of the moving image data, wherein the moving image data, the reproduction start point of the moving image data and the reproduction end point of the moving image data are stored in an image file, wherein the image file is stored in the memory;

a scenario file stored in the memory, wherein the scenario file includes at least one of a replaying speed of the image file, a number of repetitions for replaying the image file, a replay range of the image file, a special effect, and a replay of sound associated with the image file; and

a reproducer for reproducing the moving image data in accordance with the reproduction start point and the reproduction end point.

51. (Original): The image reproducing apparatus of claim 50, wherein the moving image data is stored in an image file, and the reproduction start point of the moving image data and the reproduction end point of the moving image data are stored in a scenario file.

52-53. (Canceled).